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Sir:

A Request for Certificate of Correction was filed June 9, 2005 to list the foreign application priority data for the issued patent, a National Stage filing of a PCT application. The request was denied. Reconsideration of the matter is requested.

The denial was apparently based upon a perceived failure of applicant to file a copy of the certified copy in the parent application. Under pertinent regulations, the copy of the certified copy of the priority document comes from the International Bureau and priority was so acknowledged in a paper mailed March 8, 2005, copy enclosed.

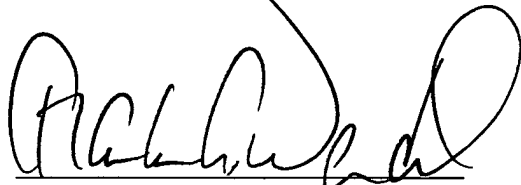
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It is therefore respectfully submitted that the priority date properly belongs on the patent and the Request for Certificate of Correction is proper.

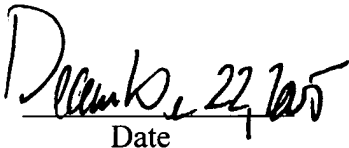
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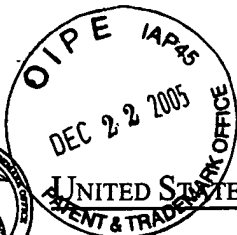


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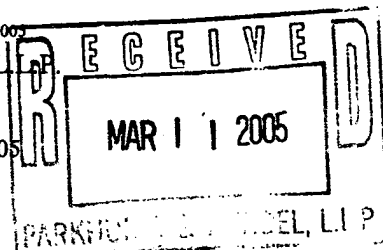
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- ☐ 1. Receipt is acknowledged of priority papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119. The papers have been placed of record in the file.
- ☒ 2. Applicant's claim for priority, based on papers filed in parent Application Number PCT/JP02/05028 submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119, is acknowledged.
- ☐ 3. The priority papers, submitted \_\_\_\_\_, after payment of the issue fee are
- ☐ acknowledged
- While the priority claim or certified copy filed will be placed in the file record, neither will be reviewed and the patent when published will not include the priority claim.  
See 37 CFR 1.55(a)(2).
- ☐ not acknowledged since the processing fee in 37 CFR 1.17(i) has not been received.
- ☐ 4. For utility and plant applications filed on or after November 29, 2000, the priority claim is not entered because the claim was not presented within the time limit required by 37 CFR 1.55(a)(1). A petition to accept a delayed claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a) - (d) or (f), or 365(a) may be filed. See 37 CFR 1.55(c) and MPEP 201.14(a).

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